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Concert Series Expands to Ossian Hall Park

The Fairfax County Park Authority's celebrated summer concert series expands to Annandale's Ossian Hall Park this summer with a calendar featuring international performances from around the globe. These free concerts will take place on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. during June, July and August, 2007. The series is sponsored in part by the Braddock District Supervisor's Office and starts on the heels of park capital improvements set to be dedicated June 7th at 6:30 p.m., the night of the first performance.

"Explore the World in Your Community" is an international music and dance series aimed at promoting awareness and appreciation of Fairfax County's new cultural diversity. "We've seen the make-up of our county change so dramatically in the last decade," said Sousan Frankeberger, the Park Authority's special events coordinator. "This series puts out the welcome mat for new neighbors."

Besides music and dance, the evening performances will include storytelling and poetry reading. In addition, artisans will present their traditional crafts while food vendors will offer ethnic specialties. The initial spotlight will focus on the cultures of Vietnam, Ireland, Korea, Bolivia, Mexico, Germany, El Salvador, Peru, India and Russia. Then in mid-August, America's heritage will take center stage with Piedmont blues, bluegrass and Hawaiian song and dance.

June 7	Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Night
June 14	Irish Cultural Heritage Night
June 21	Korean Cultural Heritage Night
June 28	Bolivian Cultural Heritage Night
July 5	Mexican Cultural Heritage Night
July 12	German Cultural Heritage Night
July 19	Salvadoran Cultural Heritage Night
July 26	Peruvian Cultural Heritage Night
August 2	Piedmont Blues Heritage Night
August 9	Russian Cultural Heritage Night
August 16	Indian Cultural Heritage Night
August 23	Hawaiian Cultural Heritage Night
August 30	Old Time Fiddlers and Bluegrass Night

Ossian Hall Park is located at 7900 Heritage Drive in Annandale, adjacent to Annandale High School. For more information about concerts throughout the park system visit us online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/>. In case of inclement weather call 703-324-SHOW (7469).

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